



Washington State Legislature

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Statement by the Washington State Legislature Members of Color Caucus regarding the shooting death of Mr. Zambrano-Montes

While we don't know all the facts about the shooting death of Mr. Zambrano-Montes in Pasco last week, the unedited video footage of the shooting is very troubling, particularly since police have confirmed Mr. Zambrano-Montes was unarmed.

One of the fundamental roles of government is to protect its residents. It is clear community leaders and public officials must have a frank and open discussion about what needs to be done to keep our neighborhoods safe. We welcome Gov. Inslee's suggestion regarding the need for a full assessment of the shooting.

Mr. Zambrano-Montes' death is a tragedy, as is the loss of any life that may have been prevented under different circumstances. It is our hope this shooting will start a much-needed conversation that ultimately leads to safer, stronger, and healthier communities.

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